

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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County Counsel Director of Health Services

At its meeting held June 14, 2005, the Board took the following action:

2 Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"For over a year, I have been requesting the Director of Health Services to provide information on the number of residents who passed and failed their Board certified exams on their first attempt. It is evident by the Health Department's report that some of the information was incomplete, not categorized by sub-specialty departments, and certain years of data regarding the residency exams were missing. Additionally, the report aggregated the smaller graduate medical education programs and does not provide the specific information on the number of residents who passed their Board certified exams.

"The Health Department reported that multiple graduate medical education program directors at LAC+USC refused to provide the requested information despite the fact that the County sponsors and pays for the graduate medical education programs.

"It is imperative that this Board hold the Health Department accountable to ensure that quality residents are recruited and providing quality patient care in our hospitals and clinics. These graduate medical education programs are supported by over \$100 million from the County, and the public deserves to have the information."

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Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Director of Health Services was directed to:

- Work in collaboration with County Counsel to amend the medical school agreements, where necessary, to ensure that the Board of Supervisors obtains categorical information regarding the number of residents who pass or fail their Board certified exams on the first try; including any other performance evaluation reports as requested by the Board of Supervisors on graduate medical education programs; and
- 2. Provide quarterly performance evaluation reports from the Director related to the residents enrolled in the graduate medical education programs and attending physicians who are required to adequately supervise the residents.

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